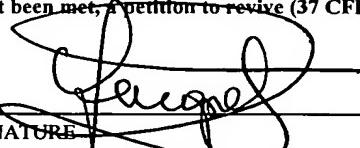


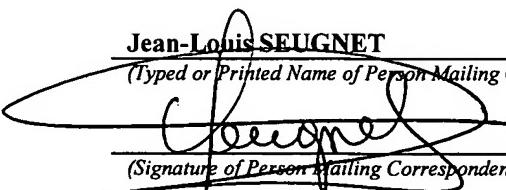
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN) 10/519286
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR03/01991		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 27, 2003		NOT APPLICABLE
				PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED June 28, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR ACCELERATING SETTING OF A HYDRAULIC MINERAL BINDER COMPOSITION WITH ADDED ADJUVANT INCLUDING HYDROPHILIC FUNCTIONS, AND COMPOSITION OBTAINABLE BY SAID METHOD AND USE THEREOF				
APPLICANT (S) FOR DO/EO/US: Jean-Christophe CASTAING, Pascal TAQUET, André NONAT and Luc NICOLEAU				
<p>Applicant herewith submits the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and 24 indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c) (2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). unsigned 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) <p>Items 13 to 18 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. <input type="checkbox"/> An information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail. 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/332 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 French version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 English Version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 French Version <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 Translation in English Language <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 French version <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 English Version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PCT/FR03/01991 as published 				

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